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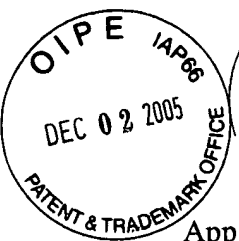
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 19, 2005, rejecting claims 1-4, 6, 8-16, and 20-55 of the above-referenced Application, in which claims 1-4, 6, 8-16, and 20-55 are pending, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered and remarks be considered. In view of these amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the Application is now in condition for allowance and respectfully request such action.

**Amendments** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 10.